

STATE ODDS AND ENDS.

TRAGEDY AT A DANCE.

The Heartless Murderer Smoked a Cigarette Near the Corpse After Committing the Crime.

London, Ky., March 5.—One of the foulest and most cold-blooded murders ever perpetrated in this section was committed near East Bernstadt, a mining town in this county, at the Smallwood dive, a disreputable joint on the line of the L. & N. railway. Millard Hughes, a young man from White's Station, Madison county, while at the Smallwood resort attending a dance, was set upon by Leonard Smallwood, Hamp Gragg and others, and while begging for his life had the whole top of his head shot off.

While Hughes, who had been shot twice in the head with a 44-caliber Colt's revolver, was lying on the floor still gasping for breath, his murderer, Leonard Smallwood, took a seat by the fire and coolly lit a cigarette and smoked it within two feet of the murdered man's body. The corpse lay there all night, and was not removed until after the coroner's jury had viewed the body.

ONE DEAD, ONE DYING.

Terrible Results of a Little Boy Spilling Powder on an Open Hearth Near Grayson, Ky.

Grayson, Ky., March 5.—While Grant Mullins and Marion Dowdie were starting to work in the coal mines a 3-year-old boy picked up half a gallon can of mining powder and ran toward the fire, and as Mullins attempted to catch him the child dropped the can on the open hearth, spilling part of it.

The powder exploded with terrific force, setting fire to the clothing of Mrs. Mullins, her three children and Dowdie and Mullins. Mrs. Mullins, a sheet of flames, ran to a pool of water near by. Mullins and Dowdie tore the clothes from the children and then from themselves. Mrs. Mullins has since died, and her husband is dying. The others may recover.

PLEADED GUILTY.

A Louisville Hardware Dealer Fined \$1,500 for Falsely Billing a Car Load of Freight.

Louisville, Ky., March 3.—The federal grand jury returned an indictment against John W. Price, secretary of W. B. Belknap & Co., hardware dealers, one of the largest wholesale houses of this city. The indictment alleges that Price on October 10, 1898, billed to the E. L. Wilson Hardware Co., of Beaumont, Tex., a car load of mixed hardware, guns, ammunition, etc., labeling and billing said shipment as "wagon material in the rough," the rate on which is lower than the rate on mixed hardware.

The indictment, it is said, is the result of rivalry between St. Louis and Louisville wholesalers in the Texas market. Later in the day Mr. Price pleaded guilty, and Judge Evans fined him \$1,500.

Charge Made By Creditors.

Louisville, Ky., March 3.—An amended petition filed in the federal court makes some serious charges in connection with the bankruptcy proceedings instituted against J. B. Nugent, a Fourth avenue dry goods merchant. Nugent's creditors allege that Will Nugent, son of E. B. Nugent, has left the city with money realized on his father's house and the stock of his store, and that he can not be located. The amount young Nugent is said to have taken is about \$14,800. It sets forth that Nugent now has assets of about \$7,000 only, while his liabilities are \$40,000.

Quarreled Over a Pair of Socks.

Middlesboro, Ky., March 3.—Will and John Stevens, brothers, fell out over the possession of a pair of socks, at the mines, when the former pulled a pistol and shot the other through the breast, inflicting a fatal wound. The men were colored. Stevens made his escape.

Used His Father's Knife.

Leitchfield, Ky., March 3.—James Sisk, son of Coroner T. M. Sisk, who has been delirious for the past two days, borrowed his father's knife and cut his throat. His parents learned the motive too late, and the son may die.

Boy's Dying Statement.

Middlesboro, Ky., March 5.—John Lewis Howard is dead, and before he expired reiterated the statement that he killed his father at the solicitation of his mother. The boy was 10 years old at the time of the alleged crime.

Bowling Alley Blaze.

Lexington, Ky., March 4.—Fire damaged Meiler's bowling alleys and saloon to the extent of about \$5,000. Insurance, \$2,500. Ransney & Co., sign painters, also suffered.

TORE DOWN THE CREPE.

Lieut. Chas. Ward Confesses He and Sergt. Geo. Pearce Did the Deed—May Be Court-Martialed.

Frankfort, Ky., March 4.—Lieut. Charles Ward, of Company C, Lexington, and Sergt. George Pearce, of the same company, who is also sergeant major of the 2d regiment, tore the crepe from the marble columns of the capitol. Pearce confessed to Lieut. Col. Morrow and implicated Ward.

The latter is now at home, having in the meantime been relieved from duty to return to business. The act is thought to have been the result of a thoughtless romp.

Lieut. Col. Morrow will order a court-martial. He predicts that Ward and Pearce will be severely punished. The charge against Ward will be conduct unbecoming an officer. There is talk of prosecution in the local courts, but Morrow said: "I shall not surrender these men to the civil authorities. They can be punished but once for this offense, and that will be by court-martial."

KENTUCKY WILL LEAD.

Republicans From the Southern States Will Meet in Nashville to Consider an Election Law.

Frankfort Ky., March 4.—The committee appointed by the republican legislative caucus to arrange for a convention of the republicans of Kentucky, Virginia, Missouri, Mississippi, Alabama, North and South Carolina, to inaugurate a movement against the election laws now in force in those states, held a meeting and organized. Senator N. T. Howard, of Butler county, was elected chairman, and Senator W. H. Cox, of Maysville, secretary.

The Kentucky state convention will be held some time between now and April at Louisville. The convention then will issue an address to the republicans of the states mentioned, calling a convention of all of them to meet at Nashville, Tenn., later.

Was With Morgan.

Glascow, Ky., March 5.—Harmon H. Barlow, one of the wealthiest men in Barren county, is dead. He was captured on Morgan's raid into Ohio and was sent to Camp Douglas. With others he engaged in a daring conspiracy to escape, but their plans were discovered and thwarted. Mr. Barlow was the oldest son of the late Hon. Smith Barlow, a noted Kentucky politician.

Miners Were Wrong.

Owensboro, Ky., March 2.—Coal miners at the New Holland mines went back to work after a strike of three weeks. While out the men organized and joined the union. As soon as they organized higher union officials told the strikers they were wrong in their demands. The mine owners signed the union scale. The owners claimed the right to assign men to places in the mines.

Another Charged With the Crime.

Somerset, Ky., March 5.—Milford Bartlett, who was arrested several weeks ago, accused of burning and killing his wife in an old abandoned cabin, was given his examining trial before County Judge Catron and acquitted. A Negro named Bowen Claunch was arrested immediately after the Bartlett trial, charged with the murder of Mrs. Bartlett.

Fine Fields Promised.

Louisville, Ky., March 2.—From final payments which are being made on entries for the Kentucky Derby of 1900, valued at \$6,000, the Clark stakes, \$4,000, and the Kentucky Oaks, \$3,000, Secretary Price, of the new Louisville Jockey club, feels assured of unusually fine fields for those events. The limit for these payments expires on March 1.

Suicided While on a Visit.

Palmouth, Ky., March 5.—Alvin Hart, a prominent young farmer of near Demossville, while on a visit to his father near Concord, suicided by shooting himself. He leaves a wife and three small children. The latter have been ill with diphtheria, and the worry incident thereto is assigned as the cause for the rash act.

Wife and Child Mysteriously Dead.

Columbia, Ky., March 2.—The wife and 2-year-old child of Peter Cooper died within a few minutes of each other and rather mysteriously. He left after breakfast to work about one mile away. At about 9 o'clock he was sent for, and on reaching home found them both dead. The case may be investigated.

Reward for Goebel's Assassin.

Frankfort, Ky., March 2.—In the house the Ward bill, appropriating \$100,000 for ferreting out the assassin of William Goebel, was discussed for nearly five hours and finally passed by a vote of 57 to 37—a strict party vote.

RETURNING THE ARMS

Their Shipment From Frankfort to London Has Been Stopped.

The Removal of the Arsenal Equipment Was the Subject of a Red-Hot Resolution Being Introduced in the Senate.

London, Ky., March 4.—Two full carloads of army equipment, including small arms, two Gatling guns, five cannons and large quantity of ammunition of all kinds, arrived here over the L. & N. from Frankfort, addressed to Col. Roger Williams, Capt. Parker, of the London company of state guards, is in charge of the war implements, and has a strong guard over them. The meaning of this move is not generally understood here.

Frankfort, Ky., March 6.—Shipment of the guns and ammunition of war to London continued Monday. Car-load of small arms and other equipments was shipped Monday morning. The Gatling gun and other arms in use by the soldiers on the state house square are of course still here. Republican Gov. Taylor left for Butler county Monday morning to attend the funeral of his brother, Alonzo Taylor.

Frankfort, Ky., March 6.—In the democratic senate Monday Senator Bell introduced a bill which is aimed at Republican Gov. Taylor and republican minor state officials. The bill provides that any state officer who shall forcibly hold possession of the office for a larger period than five days after the legislature or state contest board shall have declared another person legally elected, shall be guilty of felony.

There was more war talk in the democratic senate Monday. Senator Triplett, anti-Goebel democrat, offered a resolution to investigate the truth of published reports concerning shipment of state guns and military paraphernalia to London by Republican Gov. Taylor, and to demand the return of same to the state arsenal. If the reports are found to be true and return of them is refused, the committee appointed to make the investigation shall then bring in a bill making an appropriation of \$250,000 to buy new guns and also authorizing Gen. John B. Castleman to issue a call for a sufficient number of volunteers to take the guns from those now in possession of them and return them to the arsenal. A storm of applause followed the reading of the resolution, which lies over one day.

Frankfort, Ky., March 6.—The orders for shipment of guns and ammunition from the state arsenal to London, Ky., by the republican state authorities was revoked, and a car loaded with munitions of war consigned to London was unloaded and its contents returned to the arsenal here. The officials give no reason for the change of programme. The soldiers, acting under orders, worked all forenoon loading the car. There is a report that the war department at Washington interfered and has ordered the guns and ammunition already read taken to London to be returned here.

This promises to be the liveliest week in Frankfort since the stormy period which immediately followed Goebel's shooting. Before the end of the week startling arrests will probably be made in the attempt to show a conspiracy in the assassination. The three men who chartered the special train that brought the mountaineers to Frankfort are known, and it is hinted that they may be arrested.

Taylor gives no explanation for shipping arms to London further than saying that as the soldiers are gone the munitions are no longer needed in Frankfort.

The friends of the McChord railroad anti-extortion bill will make a fight in the house to take the bill out of the orders of the day. Those leading the opposition to the measure claim that every republican member will vote against the bill or assist in breaking a quorum, and that the defeat of the bill is assured. A number of democrats are out of line with their party on that bill, notwithstanding it was endorsed by the democratic state platform.

"Planet Mercury" Probably Lost.

Halifax, N. S., March 6.—A Frenchman at West Pubnico, near Yarmouth, reports that he picked up a life preserver on the shore with the name "Planet Mercury" on it. The steamer Wanda on Saturday picked up a life raft and a sailor's chest. Several life preservers and a steamer's hatch were picked up by South Shore fishermen. The name on the preserver found would seem to settle the identity of the wrecked steamer.

The Association Is Dead.

Pittsburgh, Pa., March 6.—The Independent Window Glass Manufacturers' association, formed last December by a number of the independent manufacturers, has proved a failure, and notices have been sent out announcing that the association is dead.

FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

First Session.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Senate.—Notwithstanding the agreement made by the senate to vote on the Hawaiian government bill the final vote on the measure was postponed until 4 o'clock Thursday. Practically no progress was made on the bill although it was under consideration nearly four hours. Mr. Aldrich, chairman of the finance committee, at the opening of the session, made an explanation of the work of the conference on the financial measure, his statement resulting in an unexpected and spirited debate.

House.—The battle royal over the Porto Rican tariff bill ended in the house in a sweeping victory for the republicans. The bill, amended and agreed upon at the conference of the republicans on Monday night so as to reduce the tariff from 25 to 15 per cent. of the American tariff and limiting its life to two years, was passed by a vote of 172 yeas to 161 nays.

Washington, March 1.—Senate.—The bill providing a form of government for the territory of Hawaii was passed without division. Mr. Clay (Ga.) delivered a carefully prepared speech on the Philippines. He favored the adoption of the Hagon resolutions declaring it to be the policy of the United States to turn over the islands to the Philippines as soon as a stable government could be established by them under the protection of this country. The Porto Rican tariff bill was made the unfinished business, and will be considered as soon as the conference report on the finance bill shall have been disposed of next Tuesday.

House.—The democrats scored their first victory of the session on the motion to take up the contested election case of Aldrich vs. Robbins from the Fourth Alabama district. On two separate votes the democrats, with the aid of two republicans—Mr. Mendenhall, of Wyoming, and H. C. Smith, of Michigan—beat the republicans upon the question of consideration. An agreement was made to consider the bill relating to second-class mail matter March 20. A bill passed to grant an American register to the ship Winward, in which Lieut. Persell made an attempt to reach the north pole.

Washington, March 2.—Senate.—Interest in the Porto Rican tariff measure now has been transferred from the house to the senate. Consideration of the bill embodying substantially the provisions of the house bill, and in addition, providing for a temporary form of civil government for the island of Porto Rico, was begun, several speeches being made. An hour and a half of the session was devoted to consideration of the Quay case, Mr. Quay (Mass.) presenting an able constitutional argument in favor of the bill. Mr. Quay on the ground, mainly, that it was the intention of the framers of the constitution that the senate at all times should have its full quota of members.

House.—Within two hours of a special message from the president recommending the immediate passage of a bill to place in his hands all the moneys collected upon Porto Rican goods since the Spanish evacuation of the island to be used for the relief of the Porto Ricans, had been read to the house, the house had passed and sent to the senate a bill to carry out the recommendation. The bill was passed by a vote of 162 to 107, 13 democrats, two populists and two silver republicans voting with the republicans in the affirmative. Subsequently the Aldrich-Robbins contested election case from the Fourth Alabama district, which the house twice refused to consider, was taken up, 135 to 120, and was determined in favor of the republicans.

Washington, March 3.—Senate.—Without dissent, a resolution was adopted calling on the secretary of war for the court-martial proceedings held during the war against Adj. Gen. Corbin. The Quay resolution was taken up and Mr. Ross, of Vermont, argued against the seating of Mr. Quay. Mr. Teller, of Colorado, delivered a lengthy speech on the conference report on the financial bill. The senate adjourned early on account of the death of Representative Epes, of Virginia.

House.—A joint resolution was passed for the government acquisition of certain reservation of great trees in California. Mr. Hay, of Virginia, then announced the death of Representative Epes, of Virginia, which occurred Friday night. A committee of 13 members was appointed by the speaker to act with a senate committee as a funeral escort. As further mark of respect to the deceased, the house then adjourned until Monday.

Washington, March 5.—Senate.—Mr. Carter, of Montana, dealt vigorously with the Quay case in the senate in the course of an explanation as to why he will vote for the former senator from Pennsylvania, notwithstanding he voted against the seating of Mr. Corbett in the last congress. The near approach to the time of voting on the conference report on the financial bill brought out the speeches of that measure, one by Mr. Fairbanks, of Indiana, and the other by Mr. Butler, of North Carolina.

House.—The following bills were passed: The state of Wyoming to relinquish to the United States about 6,000 acres of land granted the state at the time of admission for university purposes and select other lands in lieu thereof; to issue a patent to a tract of land at Redd, Okla. for cemetery purposes; to extend the time for completing the bridges across the East river between Long Island and New York; to prevent forest fires; to ratify a treaty with the Comanche, Kiowa and Apache Indians and open the land for settlement; to adjust the rights of citizen settlers on the Navajo Indian reservation; to authorize which persons who have intermarried with Cherokee Indians to bring suits in the court of claims; to authorize the secretary of the interior to negotiate with the Kiowas and Comanches for a neutral strip in Oklahoma.

VOLUMINOUS RECORD.

The President Sends to the Senate Information Relating to Our Philippine Policy.

Washington, March 6.—The president sent to the senate the correspondence called for by a resolution of Senator Hoar asking for information relative to our course in the Philippines.

It is a very voluminous record, containing much that has already been made public, and includes instructions by the president, proclamations by the Philippine commission and Gen. Otis' reports of officers in the Philippines, all communications received from Aguinaldo or his assistants or proclamations issued by them; information concerning the treatment of prisoners or other inhabitants of the island by the insurgents; and also such information as has been received as "to aid or encouragement received by Aguinaldo and his followers from persons in the United States, as to what pamphlets, speeches or other documents emanating in the United States and adverse to its authority were circulated in whole or in part among the Filipinos in arms against the United States, among other inhabitants of the island, or among the soldiers of the United States."

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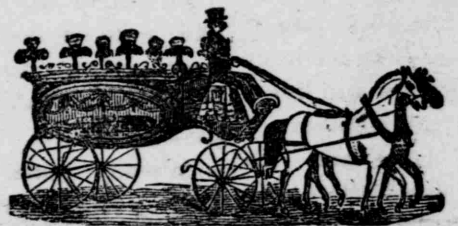
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